

ZEPPELIN RAIDS MAKE NIGHT MARE HIDEOUSLY REAL

Lowered Lights Warn of
Attack, Then Comes Whir-
ring of Machinery

SOLID HOUSES ROCK

Dyspeptic Dreams of Childhood
Outdone in Terror by Work
of Bombs and Petrol

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SOMEWHERE-IN-SCOTLAND. April 12.—I have just been "gasolined."

The gas sounds casual—but its mean-
ing, let me assure the gentle reader, covers
the whole gamut of unpleasant sensations,
"Tippantant" is a weak and ineffective
term. "Hate-aching" is nearer the mark.

To be aroused by midnight by a con-
cussion which huris the windowglass in
graceful atoms over your pillow is
scarcely a pleasant thing. The dreaded
"Clank! Clank!" of throbbing propellers
and the thunder of machinery just over-
head, I know of nothing so calculated to
scare a reasonable man as a steady and a
strange whistling to the knees.

"Oh, another Zeppelin raid in Britain!"
says the American reader, scanning his
morning paper, "they've actually got to
Scotland now!"

But little does the reader imagine the
feelings of those far-off people who watch
the great cigar-shaped monsters as they
hover over house and home.

It was a wonderful spring evening,
and the streets of this city were almost
empty. The houses were filled with devout
souls going churchward. In war-time
all the Sunday services are well attend-
ed. The Scottish parsons, many of them
returning back from the front, were
preaching sermons as fiery as their own
experiences. How strange to see those
battle-stained khaki uniforms in the pul-
pit!

LOWERED LIGHTS A WARNING.
At 8 o'clock the twilight faded, and the
sky was brilliant with stars.

"What a glorious night for spring-
time!" said the optimist.

"What a glorious night for Zeppelins!"
said the pessimist.

The Sunday supper-tables were glowing
cheerfully, when—what was that? The
lights began to flicker and grow duller,
duller. The electric current was being
lowered, cut off. Or was it merely nervous
imagining? No one said "Zeppelins!"
Yet, avoiding each other's eyes, we all
knew perfectly what the warning meant.

The talk went on as before,
till "Snap!" and all the lights went out!

There was no noise, no panic. What's
the use? Sensible people don't grow
hysterical. I think the womenfolk
went early to bed. It isn't cheerful sitting
in the dark, and waiting.

It was midnight when the first great
crash came. The dinner table was terrific.
The windows of my room flew into a
thousand pieces. Right overhead were
two Zeppelins, silhouetted in the starlight.
If only they would move on, on, and not
hang there, stationary. Then "Crash-h-
Crash!" and the house began to sway.

In childhood we have all had night-
mares, dreadful dreams of being chased
by fierce men with big guns, and when
the guns shoot, all the earth opens up as
if to swallow us. We have tried to call
out, but no words would come. We have
tumbled into the chasms, and kept falling,
falling, till with a start we have wakened
up. Then we have laughed at our night-
mares.

But today we do not laugh. For Zeppelins
are just these very childish night-
mares—come true!

Our house is square and solid, made
of stone, and built to stand the full force
of the north wind as it sweeps over 100
miles of Highland hills. It has stood firm
for 100 years. But it is old, and doesn't
understand new-fangled ways and new-
fangled inventions. Certainly not Zeppelins!

HOUSE ROCKS TO BASE.
Therefore, it trembled, and its heavy
stone walls tottered. "Crash-h!" and the
roof began to rock. What next?

The thunder of the machines was deafen-
ing. One couldn't hear a single word
above it. It doubled in intensity every
time a bomb dropped, exploding in the
streets or on the buildings.

A hall in dashed a maiden lady
from next door, shaking like an aspen leaf,
and clad in a one-piece garment not
usually associated with formal visits. Her
hair was fixed in curling pins—but no
one didn't care. She didn't want to die
alone, she explained encouragingly.

CHESTER FACES BIG INDUSTRIAL BOOM AS RESULT OF SHIPYARD

Undertaking of Sun Shipbuild-
ing Company Expected to
Stimulate New Great
Enterprises

CONTRACTS AWARDED

Organization of a new corporation, to
be known as the Sun Shipbuilding Com-
pany, marks the first step in a movement
which will place Chester in the forefront
of Pennsylvania's manufacturing centres.
An announcement exclusive in the Evening
Ledger last Saturday, the \$5,000,000 con-
cern, just organized, is only one of several
great industrial enterprises projected for
operation along the lower Delaware water-
front and the commercial development of
the Delaware County city.

J. Howard Pew, of this city; State Sen-
ator William C. Sprout, of Chester, and
capitalists of Philadelphia, New York and
Pittsburgh are the financial backers of the
Sun Company. Their action in organizing
that corporation with its vast cap-
ital and their plans for the erection of a
great shipyard on the lower Delaware
have stimulated other promoters of man-
ufacturing industries.

Announcement of additional enter-
prises which will attract a small army
of workers to Chester in a few days.
Simultaneously with the publication of
the Sun Company's organization comes the
announcement that contracts for the build-
ing of the new shipyard have been award-
ed. About 6000 tons of steel will be re-
quired for the various shops and work will
be started at once. The Belmont Iron
Works, with a plant at Edgelystone, holds
the contract for furnishing this material,
and the task of manufacture assures em-
ployment and prosperity to hundreds of
Chester mechanics.

WILL EMPLOY 2500 MEN.
The Sun Company has also taken over
the plant of Robert Wetherill & Co., Inc.,
of Chester. This is a million-dollar concern
and was recently acquired by Senator
Sprout and his associates. It is famous for
its Corliss engines and will be further
developed for the building of great
marine engines and boilers. With this
equipment the Sun Company will be able
to build in their entirety ships up to a
length of 700 feet in its own yards. More
than \$5,000,000 of the total capitaliza-
tion will be expended in the equipment and
construction of the new yard. Employment
will be given to 2500 men.

Already the Sun Company has ac-
quired a tract of 20 acres, with 900 feet
frontage, on the Delaware River. It ex-
tends from the Ridley River east to Mor-
ton avenue, Chester, and back 1500 feet
to the Philadelphia and Reading Railway.
The lateral is bulkheaded and filled in
from dredging operations. It was ac-
quired about nine years ago by Senator
Sprout and the Simpson estate from the
Cambria Steel Company.
Gen. T. Coleman du Pont, of New York
and Wilmington, is one of the organizers
of the new corporation. Other persons in-
terested in the company are J. Howard
Pew, president of the Sun Company; Joseph
N. Pew, Jr., his brother, who is part
owner of the same concern; Senator
Sprout, who heads the Seaboard Steel
Company, and Robert Wetherill & Co.,
Inc., of Chester; M. Vaulain, vice
president of the Baldwin Locomotive
Works; E. V. Babcock, the Pittsburgh
tumblerman, and J. Leonard Replige, of
the Cambria Steel Company.

Control of the new corporation will rest
with the Sun Company, which operates a
large fleet of tank steamships in addition
to its oil industries.

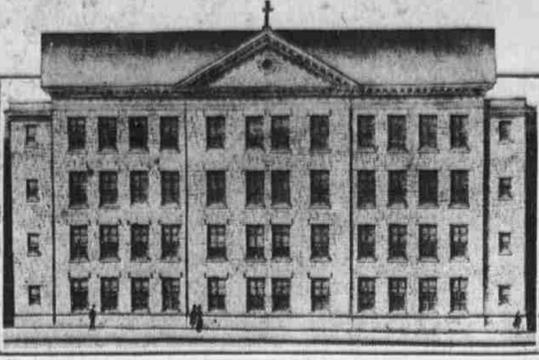
READY FOR CAMPAIGN

Preparedness Committee Will Start
Things at Banquet Tonight

The Preparedness Campaign Committee
will inaugurate its campaign to raise
\$100,000 for the equipment and main-
tenance of 48,000 citizen soldiers in Phil-
adelphia at a banquet tonight in the Ade-
lphi Hotel. General George Barnett,
head of the United States Marine Corps,
and Major General Leonard Wood will
be the principal speakers. Fifty-two team
captains, 26 of them women, will attend
the banquet accompanied by members of
their own regular army and
navy officers from League Island and
other nearby posts will also be present.

The Campaign Committee has issued a
request that business houses in the central
section of the city to display the national
emblem tomorrow, when the teams begin
their work. City officials have promised
that the Stars and Stripes will be dis-
played on City Hall. Huge thermometers
will be displayed in various sections of
the city to record the progress made in
obtaining contributions.

NEW ST. PETER'S PAROCHIAL SCHOOL



The new St. Peter's Parochial School and alterations, 5th street and
Girard avenue, for which ground will be broken about May 1. When
completed this building will accommodate 1500 children. Modernizing
the building, making the addition of eight classrooms, fire and stair
towers, teachers' rooms and veneering the old building with granite
will cost about \$75,000. The Rev. Father Francis Anfin is rector of
St. Peter's Roman Catholic Church, to which the new school belongs.

TRUPEE SPEED TO QUELL REVOLUTION IN IRELAND

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dispatch was written to indicate that he
was in any danger.

Private advices, which came from Irish
quarters outside of Dublin, said that ma-
chine guns were used in the street fight-
ing in Dublin and that the losses among
the separatists (revolutionists) were
heavy.

Fires were started in the Irish capital
at the height of the fighting and some
buildings were destroyed. The postoffice
building, about which some of the fiercest
fighting raged, is riddled with bullets and
all the windows smashed.

CAUSES OF REVOLUTION.

The government was bitterly criticized
by some of the leading London papers to-
day for not having taken precautions ex-
tensive enough to prevent an uprising. It
has been known for some time that the
revolutionary feeling in Ireland has been
growing. This has been fostered by the
following agencies:

- (1) The proposal that conscription be
extended to Ireland;
- (2) The action of the British Govern-
ment in not allowing the Home Rule bill
to go into effect;
- (3) The decree of the government cut-
ting off the immigration of Irish, to the
United States and;
- (4) The activities of anti-British and
German agents who have carried on a
vigorous propaganda for many months.

The temper of the Irish people has been
shown by fiery anti-British tirades in
some of the smaller Irish newspapers and
the extreme reluctance of the Irishmen to
enlist.

NO COMMUNICATION YET.

Dublin was still out of communication yet-
terday, and according to the best avail-
able information the principal part of the
Irish capital is still in the hands of the
rebels. It is believed that serious fighting
between the Sinn Fein forces and the
Government troops continues, though the
revolt thus far has not spread to other
districts.

The general postoffice, captured at the
beginning of the disorders, is believed to
be still in the hands of the rebels. The
Daily Chronicle pointed out editorially
today that the official statement from the
press bureau last night did not claim the
recapture of "an important position seized
by the rebels," and remarked that this
omission suggests that the rebels are
still holding out.

Information regarding the revolt is
still confined to the official dispatches.
The censor has passed no press dispatches
on the fighting and the London newspa-
pers today fell back upon editorial com-
ment on the uprising.

For several weeks rumors that a revolu-
tion was impending in Ireland have been
in circulation, some reports even fixing
the outbreak definitely on Easter Sunday.

"The outbreak will not come quite as a
bolt out of the blue sky for any one in
touch with the Irish affairs," said the
Chronicle. "Ever since the Ulster Volun-
teers set up their deplorable example of
open lawlessness and armed defiance of
the Crown, the temptation of all Irish ex-
tremists has been to preach violence as
the one argument to which English rule
must listen."

"Less than a month ago the Ulster vol-
unteers perpetrated a sensational act of
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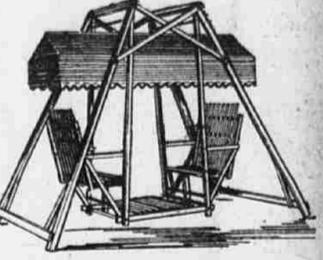


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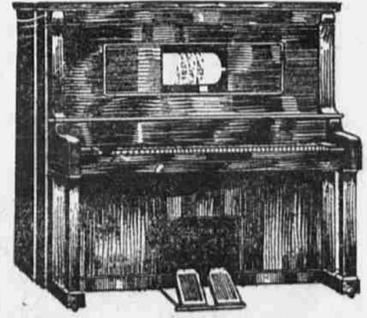
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